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Attn: Mr. Kent Milholland

Re: Report  
Soil Sampling at Former Bangs  
Compressor Station Pipe Yard  
Bangs, Ohio

Dear Mr. Milholland:

Dames & Moore is pleased to present this report detailing activities conducted at the Former Bangs Compressor Station Pipe Yard on October 22, 1999. Pursuant to your request for soil sampling and analysis, and in accordance with our proposal of October 21, 1999, Dames and Moore mobilized to the former Columbia Gas Transmission (Columbia) Bangs facility on US Route 36 in Bangs, Ohio. The objective of this investigation was to evaluate the presence of arsenic in a site soil sample reported in the Weston Bangs Characterization Report.<sup>1</sup>

## **Background**

Weston (1996) reported arsenic at a concentration of 107 mg/kg in Boring SS-010 at a depth of 6 to 7 feet. Compared to other Bangs soil samples analyzed for arsenic at that time, this concentration was relatively high and exceeds the residential characterization action levels (CALs) for arsenic at Columbia facilities. Based on this concentration, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region III (USEPA), requested that Columbia investigate arsenic at this Bangs location. The following narrative describes this investigation and presents the analytical results.

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<sup>1</sup> Weston, Roy. F. 1996. Characterization Report, Bangs Operating Center, Bangs, Ohio, prepared for Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, Charleston, West Virginia. June.

## Methods

The approximate location of soil boring SS-010 was only identified in the Weston (1996) report by the intersection of two unpaved roads and the location of a former pipe stacking area (Figure 1). The pipes have since been removed. To evaluate the presence of arsenic in shallow soils in this area, four borings (SS-010E, SS-010N, SS-010W, and SS-010S) were drilled near the approximate location of Weston's SS-010 boring. The soil borings were located approximately 12 feet away from the assumed location of SS-010, in each of the four cardinal directions. Soil samples were collected utilizing a Geoprobe® direct-push drilling apparatus, and each boring was sampled continuously to a depth (11 to 12 feet). Each boring was logged by a field geologist, who evaluated soil stratum based upon the Unified Soil Classification System (U.S.C.S.). Selected soil samples were collected from three intervals (3 to 4, 6 to 7, and 10 to 11 feet) within each of the four borings for laboratory analyses.

Soil samples were split to facilitate field screening. Approximately one half of each soil sample was placed in clean, laboratory-supplied glass containers. The containers were labeled with the date, time, sample location, and sampler name. After the samples were labeled, they were placed into an ice-filled cooler. The other half of the sample was placed in a resealable plastic bag for field screening utilizing an HNu® photoionization detector (PID) equipped with a 10.2eV lamp to assess relative concentrations of certain volatile organic compounds (VOCs). Prior to screening the samples, the PID was calibrated with background air and isobutylene calibration gas (100 ppm). Samples were allowed approximately 0.5 hour to equilibrate with the headspace prior to headspace analysis. PID screening results are included in the boring logs (Attachment A and Table 1).

Some petroleum odors were noted in shallow soil samples examined from borings SS-010W, and SS-010S. The presence of the odors was confirmed by results of the headspace analysis.

Four soil samples from the 6 to 7 foot interval of each boring and 1 sample from the 3 to 4 foot interval from SS-010E were marked for arsenic analysis. Additionally, based upon high headspace readings and pursuant to discussions with Columbia, 8 soil samples from the 3 to 4 foot and 6 to 7 foot intervals of each soil boring were analyzed for benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, total xylenes, (BTEX) and polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbon (PAH) constituents. A laboratory courier picked up and delivered samples for analysis to Kemron Environmental



Services of Marietta, Ohio under proper chain of custody and in accordance with U.S. EPA and Ohio EPA guidance.

## **Results and Conclusions**

Analytical results are included in Appendix B and summarized on Table 1. Results from the arsenic analyses (range: 3.9 to 11 mg/kg) indicate that the highest levels of arsenic were found in soil samples from boring SS-010E at both the 3 to 4 foot and 6 to 7 foot intervals (Table 1). These results are below the arsenic background concentrations (12.2 to 24.2 mg/kg) reported by Weston (1996). Based on these results, no further action regarding this issue is warranted.

Analyses for organic constituents within the four borings indicate that highest levels of ethylbenzene (300 ppb) and xylenes (130) were detected at the 3 to 4 foot interval of boring SS-010S and at the 6 to 7 foot interval of boring SS-010W, respectively. Only one boring (SS-010S, 3 to 4 feet) exhibited detections for PAH constituents, and no significant amounts of benzene or toluene were detected in any of the analyses. All BTEX results were below the CALs and therefore, no further action regarding these constituents is warranted. However, there was laboratory matrix interference in the analysis of the 3 to 4 foot sample for SS-010W, which generated high detection limits (790 ug/kg) in the BTEX analysis.

All PAH results were below the CALs except for sample SS-010S at 3 to 4 feet below ground surface, which had exceedances for benzo (a) anthracene, benzo (b) fluoranthene, and benzo (a) pyrene. Pursuant to Columbia's Administrative Order of Consent, site specific concentrations were calculated for the PAHs (Table 2). Only benzo (a) pyrene (1300 ug/kg) exceeds the calculated site concentration of 640 ug/kg.

The CALs are risk-based numbers that assume daily exposure to soils via incidental ingestion by a residential receptor. Human health risk is a consequence of the magnitude and frequency of exposure to a chemical constituent in an environmental medium. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency<sup>2</sup> (USEPA), for an exposure pathway to be complete, the following conditions must exist:

1. A source and mechanism of chemical release to the environment;

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<sup>2</sup> USEPA. 1989. Risk Assessment Guidance for Superfund, Volume I, Human Health Evaluation Manual. Office of Emergency and Remedial Response. EPA/540/1-89/002. December.

2. An environmental transport medium (e.g., air, water, soil);
3. **A point of potential receptor contact with the medium;** and
4. A human exposure route at the point of contact (e.g., inhalation, ingestion, dermal contact).

For the benzo (a) pyrene concentration in question, condition number 3 above is not satisfied because soils are not available for direct daily contact by a human receptor. Due the lack of a complete exposure pathway, no further action is warranted for benzo (a) pyrene.

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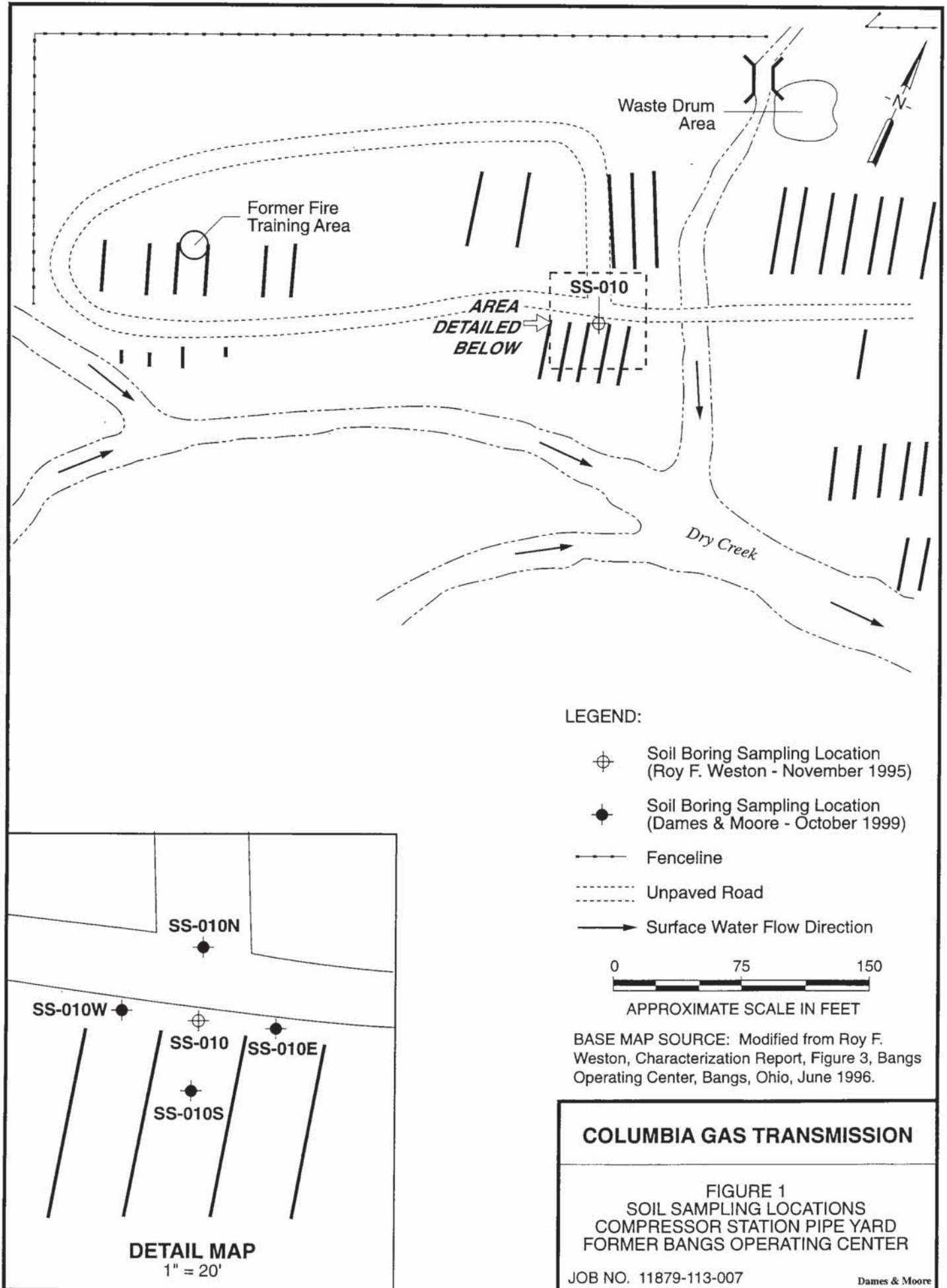
Dames & Moore appreciates the opportunity to be of service to Columbia Gas Transmission. Please do not hesitate to call the undersigned with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

**DAMES & MOORE**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael W. Ander". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M".

Michael W. Ander  
Principal



**ATTACHMENT B**  
**LABORATORY DATA**





To: Dames & Moore	Date: November 15, 1999
1701 Golf Road Suite 1000	Reference: Bangs Operations Center
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008	
Attn: Mike Ander	Project No.: 98020728.IT26, Task 0006A

<i>ITEM</i>	<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>NO. OF COPIES</i>
1	Comprehensive Analytical Results tables for Bangs Operations Center samples from 10/22/1999	1

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# Comprehensive Analytical Results Characterization Samples

PRA		14					
PRA Description		PIPEYARD					
Sample Type		Normal Sample					
Sample Id	BAN-ASS001-40001	BAN-ASS001-40002	BAN-ASS002-40001				
Depth - ft bgs	3 - 4	6 - 7	3 - 4				
Collected Date	10/22/99	10/22/99	10/22/99				
Laboratory	Kemron Environmental Services	Kemron Environmental Services	Kemron Environmental Services				
Sample Collector	Dames & Moore	Dames & Moore	Dames & Moore				
Result Units	MG/KG	MG/KG	MG/KG				
Category	Analyte	Action Level	Result Flag	Det Lim	Result Flag	Det Lim	
VOA	BENZENE	22	0.006 U	0.006	0.007 U	0.007	0.032
	TOLUENE	16000	0.006 U	0.006	0.007 U	0.007	0.032
	ETHYL BENZENE	7800	0.006 U	0.006	0.007 U	0.007	0.032
	XYLENES (TOTAL)	1000000	0.006 U	0.006	0.007 U	0.007	0.032
	NAPHTHALENE	1600	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
BNA	ACENAPHTHYLENE	4700	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	ACENAPHTHENE	4700	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	FLUORENE	3100	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	PHENANTHRENE	23000	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	ANTHRACENE	23000	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	FLUORANTHENE	3100	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	PYRENE	2300	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	BENZO(A)ANTHRACENE	.87	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	CHRYSENE	87	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	BENZO(B)FLUORANTHENE	.87	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	BENZO(K)FLUORANTHENE	8.7	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	BENZO(A)PYRENE	.087	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
	DIBENZO(A,H)ANTHRACENE	.087	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42
BENZO(GH)PERYLENE	2300	0.39 U	0.39	0.48 U	0.48	0.42	

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PRA		I4					
PRA Description		PIPEYARD					
Sample Type		Normal Sample					
Sample Id		BAN-ASS001-40001		BAN-ASS001-40002		BAN-ASS002-40001	
Depth - ft bgs		3 - 4		6 - 7		3 - 4	
Collected Date		10/22/99		10/22/99		10/22/99	
Laboratory		Kemron Environmental Services		Kemron Environmental Services		Kemron Environmental Services	
Sample Collector		Dames & Moore		Dames & Moore		Dames & Moore	
Result Units		MG/KG		MG/KG		MG/KG	
Action Level		Result Flag		Det Lim		Result Flag	
		.87		0.39 U		0.39	
		.43		11.0		1.2	
Category		Analyte					
		INDENO(1,2,3-C,D)PYRENE					
METAL							

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PRA Description											
Sample Type											
VOA	Category	Analyte	Action Level	Result Flag	Det Lim	Result Flag	Det Lim	Result Flag	Det Lim	Result Flag	Det Lim
		BENZENE	22	0.032 U	0.032	0.79 U	0.79	0.033 U	0.033	0.033 U	0.033
		TOLUENE	16000	0.032 U	0.032	0.79 U	0.79	0.033 U	0.033	0.033 U	0.033
		ETHYL BENZENE	7800	0.016 J	0.032	0.79 U	0.79	0.015 J	0.033	0.015 J	0.033
		XYLENES (TOTAL)	1000000	0.094	0.032	0.79 U	0.79	0.13	0.033	0.13	0.033
		NAPHTHALENE	1600	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		ACENAPHTHYLENE	4700	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		ACENAPHTHENE	4700	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		FLUORENE	3100	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		PHENANTHRENE	23000	0.42	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
BNA		ANTHRACENE	23000	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		FLUORANTHENE	3100	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		PYRENE	2300	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		BENZO(A)ANTHRACENE	.87	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		CHRYSENE	87	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		BENZO(B)FLUORANTHENE	.87	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		BENZO(K)FLUORANTHENE	8.7	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		BENZO(A)PYRENE	.087	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		DIBENZO(A,H)ANTHRACENE	.087	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43
		BENZO(GH)PERYLENE	2300	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43 U	0.43

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PRA										
PRA Description										
Sample Type										
Category	Sample Id	BAN-ASS002-40002	BAN-ASS003-40001	BAN-ASS003-40002						
	Depth - ft bgs	6 - 7	3 - 4	6 - 7						
	Collected Date	10/22/99	10/22/99	10/22/99						
	Laboratory	Kemron Environmental Services	Kemron Environmental Services	Kemron Environmental Services						
	Sample Collector	Dames & Moore	Dames & Moore	Dames & Moore						
	Result Units	MG/KG	MG/KG	MG/KG						
METAL	Action Level									
	INDENO(1,2,3-C,D)PYRENE	.87	0.42 U	0.42	0.42 U	0.42	0.43 U	0.43	0.43	0.43
	ARSENIC, TOTAL	.43	6.5	1.3			3.9			1.3

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# Comprehensive Analytical Results

## Characterization Samples

PRA									
PRA Description									
Sample Type									
VOA	Sample Id	BAN-ASS004-40001	BAN-ASS004-40002						
	Depth - ft bgs	3 - 4	6 - 7						
	Collected Date	10/22/99	10/22/99						
	Laboratory	Kemron Environmental Services	Kemron Environmental Services						
	Sample Collector	Dames & Moore	Dames & Moore						
BNA	Result Units	MG/KG	MG/KG						
	Action Level	22	0.030 U	0.030	0.007 U	0.030	0.007		
	BENZENE	16000	0.009 J	0.030	0.007 U	0.030	0.007		
	TOLUENE	7800	0.30	0.030	0.009	0.030	0.007		
	ETHYL BENZENE	1000000	0.068	0.030	0.034	0.030	0.007		
	XYLENES (TOTAL)	1600	1.1	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	NAPHTHALENE	4700	0.80 U	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	ACENAPHTHYLENE	4700	0.80 U	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	ACENAPHTHENE	3100	0.80 U	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	FLUORENE	23000	0.56 J	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	PHENANTHRENE	23000	0.80 U	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	ANTHRACENE	3100	1.3	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	FLUORANTHENE	2300	1.3	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	PYRENE	.87	0.92	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	BENZO(A)ANTHRACENE	87	1.2	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	CHRYSENE	.87	1.2	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	BENZO(B)FLUORANTHENE	8.7	1.1	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	BENZO(K)FLUORANTHENE	.087	1.3	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	BENZO(A)PYRENE	.087	0.80 U	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	DIBENZO(A,H)ANTHRACENE	2300	0.57 J	0.80	0.44 U	0.80	0.44		
	BENZO(GH)PERYLENE								

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PRA						
PRA Description						
Sample Type						
Sample Id		BAN-ASS004-40001		BAN-ASS004-40002		
Depth - ft bgs		3 - 4		6 - 7		
Collected Date		10/22/99		10/22/99		
Laboratory		Kemron Environmental Services		Kemron Environmental Services		
Sample Collector		Dames & Moore		Dames & Moore		
Result Units		MG/KG		MG/KG		
Category	Analyte	Action Level		Result Flag	Det Lim	Det Lim
		.87		0.56 J	0.80	0.44
METAL	INDENO(1,2,3-C,D)PYRENE	.43		6.4		1.3
	ARSENIC, TOTAL					

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